

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

Donald W. Verser et al. .

Serial No.: 10/700,006

Filed: November 3, 2003

PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR For:

SEPARATING POLYMER SOLIDS,

HYDROCARBON FLUIDS, AND

**PURGE GAS** 

1764 Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

Doroshenk, Alexa A.

Atty. Docket: CPCM:0019/FLE/

210331US

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Sir:

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO **OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON AUGUST 23, 2004**

In response to the Official Action mailed on August 23, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

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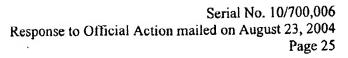
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well as any additional fees which may be currently due to the credit card listed on the attached PTO-2038. However, if the PTO-2038 is missing, if the amount listed thereon is insufficient, or if the amount is unable to be charged to the credit card for any other reason, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1315; Order No. CPCM:0019/FLE (210331US).

## **New Claims**

Applicants have added new claims 44-47.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 44-47 are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$88.00 to the attached PTO-2038 for the addition of a new independent claim, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 06-1315; Order No. CPCM:0019/FLE (210331US).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 23, 2004

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